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### **HIGHLIGHTS**

### Jobs in D.C.

Dec. 2000: Up 7,500 (1.2%) from 1 yr. ago

### **Resident Employment**

Dec. 2000: Down 1,400 (-0.5%) from 1 yr. ago

#### **Labor Force**

Dec. 2000: Down 700 (-0.2%) from 1 yr. ago

## **Unemployment Rate** (seasonally adjusted)

Dec. 2000: 6.3%, up from 6.0% 1 yr. ago Up from 5.7% last month

#### Tax Revenue

FY 2001 (Dec.): Up 2.1% from FY 2000

#### **Personal Income**

3<sup>rd</sup> Q 2000: 5.1% growth over last year

### **Housing Sales (single family homes)**

4<sup>th</sup> Q 2000: 9.9% increase over past year Prices up 8.9% from last year

### **Commercial Office Space**

3<sup>rd</sup> Q 2000: Up 2.6 million sq. ft. over 1yr. ago 3.3% vacancy rate lowest in decade

Note: All data subject to revision. † Indicates data have been revised by stated source since previous edition of D.C. Economic Indicators.

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SELECTE	SELECTED INDICATORS – U.S. AND D.C.				
Indicator	Source	Time I	Period		
U.S. GDP	BEA	% change for year endir			
	j	4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2000	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2000		
Nominal	•	5.9	7.5		
Real		3.5	5.2		
Personal Income	BEA	% change fo	r year ending		
(nominal)		3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2000	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2000 <sup>†</sup>		
Total	-				
U.S.		6.7	6.7		
D.C.		5.1	4.7		
Earnings portion or	nly				
U.S.		6.9	6.9		
Earned in D.C.		4.7	3.2		
Earned by D.C. re		5.5	4.6		
CPI	BLS	% change fo	r year ending		
		Nov. 2000	Sept. 2000		
U.S.		3.4	3.5		
D.C. metro area		3.3	3.1		
Unemployment	DOES/		month		
(seasonally adj.)	BLS	Dec. 2000	Nov. 2000		
U.S.		4.0	4.0		
D.C.		6.3	5.7		
Interest Rates	Federal		per month		
	Reserve	Dec. 2000	Nov. 2000		
1-yr. Treasury		5.6	6.1		
Home mortgage		7.4	7.8		
(conventional)					
D.C. Housing	MRIS	4 Qs ending	% change fr.		
Sales	1-	4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2000	previous yr.		
Completed contract	เร	F F00	0.0		
Single family		5,592	9.9 -4.4		
Condo/Co-ops Average price (\$000)* Single family		2,720	-4.4		
		\$289.7	8.9		
Condo/Co-ops		\$269.7 \$163.9	6.9 12.4		
Condo/Co-ops  Commercial	Advantis	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2000	Change fr.		
Office Space	Auvailus	3 42000	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 1999		
Inventory (million sq. ft.)		100.8	2.6		
Vacancy rate (%)**		3.3	-2.7		
*4 <sup>th</sup> quarter averages			s sublet space		
- quarter averages excludes subjet space					

LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT FOR D.C. AND THE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA: DEC. 2000 ('000)				
	D.C.		Metro area	
		1 yr. ch.		1 yr. ch.
Employed residents	263.9	-1.4	2,662.5	54.0
Labor force	280.1	-0.7	2,718.7	52.7
Unemployed	16.3	0.8	56.2	-1.3
Total wage and sal.	630.9	7.5	2,769.6	78.0
Fed.	182.4	-1.8	330.0	-2.1
Local gov.	40.7	1.5	270.4	6.1
Services	285.4	4.8	1,119.7	46.5
Trade	50.1	0.7	509.8	9.5
Other private	72.3	2.3	539.7	18.0

Source: D.C. Department of Employment Services, U.S.

Bureau of Labor Statistics; preliminary

WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN D.C. PRIVATE SECTOR: DEC. 2000			
Sector	Level	Change from 1 yr	
	('000)	ago	
		No. ('000)	%
Manufacturing	12.3	0.3	2.4
Construction	9.9	0.5	5.1
Transportation	6.1	0.1	1.6
Comm. & util.	11.5	0.3	2.6
Wholesale trade	5.7	0.0	0.0
Restaurants	25.4	0.8	3.1
Other retail	19.0	-0.1	-0.5
Finance,	32.4	1.1	3.4
insurance, and			
real estate			
Hotels	13.6	0.8	5.9
Personal	3.4	0.0	0.0
services			
Business	51.5	0.4	0.8
services			
Health	38.9	0.4	1.0
Legal services	32.8	1.1	3.4
Education	35.2	0.5	1.4
Social services	18.6	0.7	3.8
Member	35.7	0.2	0.6
organizations			
Manage. &	44.6	0.8	1.8
engineer.			
Other services	11.1	0.1	0.9
TOTAL	407.8	7.8	1.9

Source: D.C. Department of Employment Services; preliminary

### YEAR-TO-DATE D.C. GENERAL REVENUE COLLECTIONS THROUGH DECEMBER: FY 2001 AND FY 2000\*

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	% year-to-date change		
	FY 2001	FY 2000	
	(Dec. 1999 to	(Dec. 1998 to	
	Dec. 2000)	Dec. 1999)	
Property taxes	**	**	
General sales	10.3	6.4	
Individual income	12.8	3.4	
Business income	-25.1	39.0	
Utilities	11.2	0.6	
Deed transfer	-5.1	112.5	
All other taxes	-15.6	29.7	
Total tax collections	2.1	12.9	
Addendum:	7.2	11.5	
Individual withholding			
for D.C. residents			

\*Includes sales taxes allocated to the Convention Ctr.
\*\*Not meaningful; first tax payments due March 31<sup>st</sup>.
Source: D.C. Office of Tax and Revenue

ESTIMATED D.C. POPULATION ('000)			
Age			change
group	1999	1998	from 1998
Total	519.0	521.4	-2.4
<16	86.0	89.4	-3.4
16-24	54.9	53.2	1.7
25-44	183.7	188.7	-5.0
45-64	122.2	117.2	5.0
65+	72.1	72.9	-0.8

Note: (1)Detail may not add due to rounding. Estimates as of July 1 of each year.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

<sup>(2)</sup> In December 2000, the Bureau of the Census released its count for the April 1, 2000 population of the District of Columbia. This count, 572,059, is about 10% higher than Census had been estimating. Details from the 2000 Census will not be available for several months.